

# NDVS/SB Outreach Newsletter

April 2026

*Our mission is to provide specialized and individualized services for people of all ages who are blind or low vision by partnering with families, educators, and agencies to empower them in achieving their goals.*

## Learning New Tricks in 2026: Family Weekend highlights

Family Weekend is our biggest event of the year. So many hours go into planning this fun, energizing, less-than-24-hour event! Every NDVS/SB employee contributes to the weekend's success, and every family member who attends is rewarded with – we hope – some new tricks to try out and lots of good memories spent with their family and the



new friends they meet. Every year the parents agree that meeting other families going through similar experiences is the most beneficial part of the weekend, and providing that opportunity is something we love to do. If you've never joined us before, please consider attending next year. Save the date – April 16 & 17, 2027, in Bismarck!



*Photo captions, clockwise starting upper left. Mascot Goldie made an appearance Saturday afternoon. A girl checks out her new look after Elena from Face the Rainbow Face Painting worked her magic. One of the card contest winners speaks during the luncheon on Saturday. The teen group hanging out together. NDVS/SB Regional Coordinator Breanne builds with a girl. A family from Bismarck enjoying Family Weekend – and celebrating their son's first birthday too!*



## The Store is now online!

Have you ever visited The Store at NDVS/SB? We have many items in stock for blind and low vision consumers to help with daily living and to aid in independence. These items include canes, magnifiers, clocks, timers, and even games among many other items. By shopping at The Store you can get your needed item right away and may be able to save yourself a trip to the Twin Cities or elsewhere to find the item that you are looking for.



Now, you can even visit The Store online. Our online store features all the products that are available at our facility. You can browse the [Online Store](#) and see all of the products on the website. Or, you can access both [pdf](#) and [text](#) versions of The Store's catalog. Once you have found the item that you need, you can call The Store for pricing, availability, and to place orders.

You can reach The Store by calling Tallena Veer at 701-795-2714 or 1-800-421-1181. Find more information about The Store at the website: [The Store | North Dakota Vision Services](#). Happy browsing!

## Support the NDSB Foundation by purchasing a card pack



*Images of the 15 cards in this year's pack. All art works were created by students who are blind or low vision in North Dakota.*

The 2026 NDSB Foundation Card Packs are now available! The art featured on these cards was created by students who are blind or low vision in North Dakota. The sales of the card packs support the programs of the NDSB Foundation. To order a pack of 15 cards for \$20, contact Lilly at NDVS/SB by calling 701-795-2708 or emailing [ldunrud@nd.gov](mailto:ldunrud@nd.gov). PayPal payments to [ndsbfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:ndsbfoundation@gmail.com) of \$21.50 can also be made.